Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 09 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 10 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 09 Oct 2021 at 02:46 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for timing of clearer weather on Saturday afternoon, then high for a clearer day on Sunday. Low for detail on Monday and Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 09 Oct 2021: Overcast with occasional rain, turning clear from late afternoon onwards.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 09 Oct 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Drizzle	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
70%	70%	70%	40%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Saturday 09 Oct 2021

Weather: Overcast for most of the day with rain at times in the morning. Drier and clearer weather will spread across all areas from the west in the afternoon to leave a dry, cold and fine evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance in the morning. Cloud lifting off all ranges from early afternoon from the west.

Visibility: Generally poor in widespread low cloud down to 400 metres in the morning. A marked improvement expected in the afternoon as clearer conditions edge eastwards, still some patchy cloud around 750 metres on the west coast.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	40/47 S	32/39 SW	16/22 SW	15/20 W	17/23 SW	18/25 SW	21/29 SW
900	36/43 S	30/37 SW	15/21 SW	14/20 W	17/23 SW	17/24 SW	20/28 SW
600	25/32 S	20/28 SW	11/17 SW	11/17 W	13/19 SW	13/20 SW	15/23 SW
300	6/28 SW	6/25 SW	5/17 SW	5/17 W	5/19 SW	5/20 SW	6/22 SW
Glen	12/26 S	9/22 SW	6/14 W	7/15 W	6/16 SW	6/16 SW	7/17 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/2	8/3	8/4	7/3	6/1	5/0	4/-1
900	9/3	9/4	8/5	7/4	6/2	5/1	5/-0
600	10/7	11/7	10/8	10/7	8/5	8/4	7/3
300	12/12	12/11	12/12	12/11	10/10	10/9	9/8
Glen	14/12	14/13	14/14	14/13	13/12	12/11	11/10
Freezing Level*	2900m	2700m	2600m	2000m	1600m	1500m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Poor conditions at height with strong winds leading to notable wind chill, and poor visibility in cloud leading to navigational difficulties. Overnight heavy rain across the Cuillins may lead to flooded water courses in the morning.

Forecast for Sunday 10 Oct 2021

Weather: A much brighter but quite cold day with significant wind chill at higher elevations. A few passing showers possible, these wintry above 1200 metres. Showers most frequent in the north where there will be summit gales.

Maximum wind: Westerly 35 mph with gusts to 50 mph on the higher summits

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%

Visibility: Generally excellent with great air clarity. Some patchy cloud above 800 metres, and briefly poor in any wintry showers on the higher summits.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 13 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: 1400 metres

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